THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R.L. BHATIA): (a) and (b) Government during the course of usual Ministerial, Official and diplomatic exchanges with other countries have and will continue to apprise them of Government's commitment to seek the resolution of all differences with Pakistan peacefully and through bilateral negotiations within the framework of the Simla Agreement. However, there can be no role of any sort for any third country. There is general appreciation for India's stand in this regard.

Seminar on Panchsheel

2876. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister while inaugurating a two-day Saminar on Panchsheel and Global Diplomacy on 27th June, 1994, in New Delhi, spelt out new principles of Panchsheel;

(b) if so, what were the precise observations and suggestions made therein; and

(c) what steps have been taken and are being taken in pursuance thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R.L. BHATIA): (a) to (c) While inaugurating the seminar on 'Panchsheel and Global Diplomacy' on June 27, 1994 the Prime Minister said that each generation has to interpret and apply creatively the Five Principles to the problem of its age and proposed five new principles.

2. The first principle of these new principles is that of the 'middle path', which recognises that vast segments of the economy need time to catch up with rapid technological changes and that we must never lose sight of those who cannot keep up with the pace of the forerunners.

3. The second principle is that of 'back to the village', which upholds the primacy of the villages in India and recommends that to go forward we have to go back to the villages.

4. The third principle is that of the 'model village', which points out that for the village to be a viable economic unity it must be self-sufficient and that rural Indians can prosper with their own living and climatic conditions and from resources accessible to them, while tuned to the national cause and effort.

5. The fourth principle is the 'harmony between modern technology and tradition', which emphasises that advances in relevant technologies and attention to applications of technology would yield far greater marginal benefits than the results we see from constant commercial competition in our cosmopolitan cities.

6. The fifth principle is that of a 'new world order' which should breathe with the life of Panchsheel and should re-establish this holy doctrine firmly in the ideology of the coming century.

7. Government will continue to encourage discussions among the concerned individuals and entities on the ideas and suggestions contained in the Prime Minister's speech. There has already been a wide-ranging debate in the media on the new principles proposed by the Prime Minister.

Staff in diplomatic offices abroad

2877. SHRI TULASIDAS MAJJI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of staff in the diplomatic offices of India in the various countries;

(b) what is the number out of this who are entitled to get diplomatic immunities in the receiving countries; and

(c) what are the levels of the various diplomatic offices in various countries?